

House of Representatives

File No. 880

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Substitute House Bill No. 6336 As Amended by House Amendment Schedule "A"

Approved by the Legislative Commissioner May 1, 2009

AN ACT CONCERNING NURSES PURSUING ADVANCED DEGREES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2009) The Board of Trustees for
- 2 Community-Technical Colleges shall take all feasible steps to
- 3 maximize available federal funds in order to establish a nursing
- 4 program at Northwestern Connecticut Community College.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1 July 1, 2009 New section

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 10 \$	FY 11 \$
Colleges, Regional CommTech.	GF - None	None	None

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The Regional Community Technical Colleges (RCTCs) can seek federal funds to establish a nursing program with available resources.

House "A" (LCO 5916) eliminated provisions concerning assistantship programs for nurses and required the RCTCs rather than the Department of Higher education to seek federal funds for nursing programs. The amendment had no fiscal impact.

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OLR Bill Analysis sHB 6336 (as amended by House "A") *

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SUMMARY:

This bill requires the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges to take all feasible steps to maximize available federal funds to establish a nursing program at Northwestern Connecticut Community College.

*House Amendment "A" eliminates provisions concerning a graduate assistantship program for nurses at two state universities and requires the Board of Trustees of the Community-Technical Colleges, rather than the Board of Governors of Higher Education, to seek federal funds to establish a nursing program.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2009

COMMITTEE ACTION

Higher Education and Employment Advancement Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute Yea 17 Nay 0 (03/17/2009)